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APPLICATION OF CELLCO PARTNERSHIP

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d/b/a VERIZON WIRELESS FOR A

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COMPATIBILITY AND PUBLIC NEED FOR

THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE

AND OPERATION OF A WIRELESS

TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY IN

THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON,

CONNECTICUT

APRIL 13, 2007

NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO C.G.S. § 16-50l(e)

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50<u>l</u>(e), attached are materials which Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Cellco") is required to provide to the Siting Council ("Council") in connection with Cellco's proposed wireless telecommunications facility at one of two locations in the Town of Washington, Connecticut (the "Washington North Facility"). These include:

- A. All materials provided to the Town of Washington; and
- B. A summary of the consultations with the Town of Washington, including any recommendations on the proposed telecommunications facility.
- C. Copies of all correspondence between the Cellco and the Town of Washington.

A. <u>Materials Provided to the Town of Washington</u>

Technical information dated January 19, 2007, prepared by Cellco. This information includes a description of the proposed wireless facility, the need for such facility and the description of other sites considered, but found to be unacceptable. Copies of the technical information were submitted to the Council as a Bulk File Exhibit on March 29, 2007.

B. <u>Summary of Municipal Consultations</u>

- 1. On March 29, 2007, Cellco representatives met with Washington First Selectman Richard Sears to begin the municipal consultation process for the Washington North Facility.

 During the meeting in Washington, Cellco representative recommended to Mr. Sears that the Town hold a "public informational meeting" at which Cellco would present its application to the members of the public and answer any question regarding the proposed Washington North Facility.
- 2. On January 25, 2007 Cellco was contacted by David Owen, Chairman of the Washington Zoning Commission and informed that the Town would hold a public information meeting on March 5, 2007 on the proposed Washington North Facility.
- 3. Prior to the March 5, 2007 meeting, Cellco and Town representatives spoke on several occasions in an effort to better organize the public information presentation. Notice of the March 5, 2007 was sent, by Cellco, to the owners of property whose land abuts either of the proposed alternative cell site locations. Notice of the meeting was also posted on the Town's web site.
- 4. On March 5, 2007, Cellco's project team made a presentation to approximately 60 Washington residents, explaining the need for the proposed Washington North facility, the Siting Council application process and the proposed schedule for the submission of the application.
- 5. During the course of the March 5, 2007 meeting, Cellco agreed to conduct a balloon float on either March 17 or 18, 2007, weather permitting. The balloon float was successfully conducted on Sunday March 18, 2007. A letter confirming Cellco willingness to conduct this balloon test was sent to Mr. Sears on March 6, 2007.

- C. Copies of all correspondence between the Cellco and the Town of Washington
- 1. Cellco's Technical Report, dated January 19, 2007, filed in bulk with the Council on March 29, 2007.
- 2. A copy of the letter to Richard Sears, First Selectman confirming Cellco's willingness to conduct a balloon float on either March 17 or 18, 2007 is attached.

Respectfully submitted, CELLCO PARTNERSHIP d/b/a VERIZON WIRELESS

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March 6, 2007

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Re: Proposed Verizon Wireless Telecommunications Facility in the Town of Washington, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Sears:

Thank you again for your arranging, through David Owen, the meeting last night. While we certainly didn't expect everyone in attendance to be in favor of the proposal we strongly believe that it is important to get accurate information out to the public so that, if nothing else, they are well informed about the Verizon Wireless proposal.

As we discussed at the end of the meeting, Verizon Wireless is willing to fly a balloon at each of the proposed cell site locations, prior to the end of the 60-day municipal consultation period so that you and the residents of the area have an opportunity to visualize the overall height of each structure. Verizon Wireless has authorized its consultants, VHB, Incorporated to conduct a balloon float on Saturday, March 17, 2007 at both the Underwood and Waldron properties. The balloons will be flown between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., weather permitting. If weather conditions on Saturday, March 17th are unfavorable, we will ask VHB to return on Sunday, March 18th and try again.

Thank you very much for your cooperation. We look forward to working with you in the future on this and potentially future cell sites in the Town of Washington.



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Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Kenneth C. Baldwin

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David L. Owen, Chairman, Zoning Commission Sandy M. Carter Michael Libertine, L.E.P. H. Ray and Carol A. Underwood Unice and Lloyd Waldron

